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## **NEWS ADVISORY**

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## DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING WILL STAGE VEHICLE COLLISION

RICHMOND – The Department of Criminal Justice Training will stage an actual collision between two vehicles at 9:30 a.m. Friday, October 17, at the driving track at the McKinney Skills Complex. The crash is a new part of the Level III Vehicle Collision Investigation Course, and is a practical exercise for the students attending this training.

The anticipated crash will happen at 35 miles per hour, with the possibility of a multiple-vehicle collision. After the crash, the students will complete measurements of the area, friction testing of the roadway, examination of the crashed vehicles and analysis of the collision. The students will work in groups, as if in an investigation unit. They will have a week to complete the investigation, and will then present their findings to a panel of collision experts in a courtroom setting.

Following the collision, there will be a short time given to view the damaged vehicles. The collision scene will then be secured and turned over to the students for completion of the exercise.

Representatives of the media are invited to attend the crash. Those wishing to witness the collision should be at the crash site no later than 9:15 a.m. The gates to the driving track will be secured at 9:30 a.m. The McKinney Skills Complex is located on the campus of Eastern Kentucky University.



